

ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING APRIL 28, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, cotton planting was 50 percent complete compared with 51 percent last year, and 34 percent has emerged compared with 25 percent last year, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Ninety-eight percent of barley has headed compared with 89 percent last year, and 40 percent has matured compared with 37 percent last year. Barley conditions were rated mostly good. Ninety-one percent of Durum wheat has headed compared with 89 percent last year, and 21 percent has matured compared with 25 percent last year. Durum wheat conditions were rated mostly good. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to fair, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on more than three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly good to fair. The early year precipitation helped replenish parched soils, but that moisture is diminishing rapidly with warming temps and Spring winds. New forage is appearing but not abundant in the lower elevations of the North Central part of the State. In the Northwestern part of the State, new forage is already showing signs of moisture stress.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS

Commodity	Current week (percent)	Previous week (percent)	Previous year (percent)	5-year average (percent)
Barley				
Headed	98	93	89	73
Mature	40	18	37	NA
Cotton				
Planted	50	40	51	63
Emerg'd	34	19	25	NA
Durum wheat				
Headed	91	89	89	71
Mature	21	12	25	NA

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	--	--	5	2
Short	5	7	10	23
Adequate	83	87	85	70
Surplus	12	6	--	5
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	--	--	5	7
Short	5	7	10	16
Adequate	85	88	85	75
Surplus	10	5	--	2

NA – not available
 (--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay				
Very poor	--	--	--	3
Poor.....	6	5	2	2
Fair.....	29	25	15	17
Good	55	57	55	43
Excellent	10	13	28	35
Barley				
Very poor	--	--	--	1
Poor.....	1	1	5	2
Fair.....	14	17	41	29
Good	75	72	39	47
Excellent	10	10	15	21
Durum wheat				
Very poor	--	--	--	--
Poor.....	1	1	4	1
Fair.....	8	5	23	11
Good	87	83	38	54
Excellent	4	11	35	34
Pasture and range				
Very poor	4	4	44	21
Poor.....	10	10	43	22
Fair.....	25	30	8	27
Good	58	55	5	26
Excellent	3	1	--	4

NA – not available

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